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Case of measles on the steamship China.

NATIONAL QUARANTINE STATION,
Angel Island, Cal., March 12, 1898.

SIR: I have the honor to report that the Hawaiian steamer *China* arrived to-day from Oriental ports with the storekeeper, Ben Graves, 21 years old, born in California, convalescing from measles.

The man was refused permission to land by the local quarantine office. I therefore took him to the station, where he will be cared for until well.

Respectfully, yours,

M. J. ROSENAU,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Quarantine proclamation.

OFFICE OF QUARANTINE BOARD OF MOBILE BAY,
Mobile, Ala., March 12, 1898.

In accordance with law, and by virtue of authority vested in me by the quarantine board of Mobile Bay, I, George E. Sage, president of said board, do hereby declare, that from and after sunrise on the first day of April, 1898, and until the first day of December, 1898, unless sooner revoked, quarantine shall be enforced against all vessels entering Lower Mobile Bay, as follows:

First. Against all vessels, with their ballast, crews, passengers, baggage, and freight coming from ports regarded by the board as infected.

Second. Against all vessels, with their cargoes, ballast, crews, passengers, baggage, and freight coming from ports regarded by the board as suspected.

Third. Against all vessels and their contents, which are infected, or with a history of infection during the present year, and have not subsequently been subjected to improved maritime sanitation.

Fourth. Against all vessels and their contents that, during the quarantine season, have visited ports declared by this board to be infected, and subsequently arrive in our bay from foreign or domestic ports where no disinfection by the improved process is practiced.

Ports now regarded as infected are all the ports of Cuba, Rio de Janeiro, Para, Bahia, Pernambuco, Santos, Ceara, San Juan (Porto Rico), Puntas Arenas, Guayaquil, and Vera Cruz, and vessels coming from ports hereafter becoming infected will be treated in same manner as those from ports named. Ports regarded as suspected are all other South American and West Indian ports, as well as those of Central America and Mexico, with the exception of the following, to wit: Ruatan, Bonacco, Utila, Truxillo, Swan Island, Grand Cayman, and Cayman Brac; but vessels from these specially named, with passengers aboard, will be subjected to such detention and disinfection of vessels and contents as the quarantine board or executive officer may prescribe on arrival at quarantine station.

All vessels and contents under the first class will be subjected to thorough maritime sanitation and then detained five full days from completion of process. Pilots will not board such vessels unless it is absolutely necessary, but will waive them to the proper quarantine anchorage. Pilots violating this provision will, at the option of the board or its executive officer, be subjected to same treatment as other persons on board said vessels.

All vessels under the second class will be subjected to thorough maritime sanitation and then be detained three full days from completion of process.

No vessel under the third class will be allowed in the lower bay until master produces a certificate that his vessel and contents have been subjected to thorough disinfection by the improved method, after which the vessel will be carefully inspected and detained only for cause. Vessels under this class, without certificates here referred to, will be spoken off the bar and directed to the Ship Island Refuge Station, and pilots and other persons are not allowed to board such vessels.

Vessels under the fourth class, that is, those visiting ports declared by this board infected, and subsequently visiting New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore or other ports will not be allowed to come to the city without thorough maritime sanitation is undergone subsequent to departure from infected port and certificate to that effect from the official having so treated the vessel.

Any vessel not from an infected place, but bringing ballast, crew, passengers, baggage, or freight from an infected place, will be included in the first class, and treated accordingly, unless the master can produce a certificate that said ballast, crew, passengers,